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**REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000  
provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application Number: 09/335,742

Filing Date: April 10, 2001

First Named Inventor: Marie-Pascale Audousset

Group Art Unit: 1751

Examiner: M. Einsmann

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**Note:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See "Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice," Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000). Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:**a. ☐ Previously submitted

- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply after final under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief of Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed:

- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Fees**a. ☒ The filing fee is calculated as follows:

- i. ☒ \$750.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Petition for extension of time for (3 Months) \$930.00
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$1,680.00 enclosed.c. ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.**Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required**

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Application No. 09/335,742 )

Group Art Unit: 1751

Originally filed: June 18, 1999 )

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CPA Filed: April 10, 2001 )

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AND DYEING PROCESS )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**  
**ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

In further reply to the Final Office Action dated October 15, 2002 (to which a complete response was filed on February 14, 2003 and was unentered), and in response to the Advisory Action dated February 28, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks, which are filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. The period for reply has been extended three months to April 15, 2003, by a petition for extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith.

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